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Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Report of the Second Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries" and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 29th to 31st, 41st and 42nd meetings, on 27 and 31 October and on 6 and 8 December 2000. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/55/SR.29-31, 41 and 42). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 7th meetings, on 2, 3 and 5 October (see A/C.2/55/SR.3-7).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the state of preparations for the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (A/55/222);

(b) Letter dated 5 May 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly, transmitting the Declaration and the Programme of Action adopted at the South Summit of the Group of 77, held at Havana from 10 to 14 April 2000 (A/55/74);

(c) Letter dated 28 June 2000 from the Permanent Representatives of Egypt and Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the joint communiqué of the Tenth Summit of the Group of Fifteen, held at Cairo on 19 and 20 June 2000 (A/55/139-E/2000/93);

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(d) Letter dated 1 August 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué Okinawa 2000 adopted by the Group of Eight on 23 July 2000 (A/55/257-S/2000/766);

(e) Letter dated 5 October 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the ministerial statement adopted at the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77, held at United Nations Headquarters on 15 September 2000 (A/55/459);

(f) Letter dated 28 September 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the declaration adopted by the Tenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries, held in New York on 18 September 2000 (A/C.2/55/4).

4. At the 29th meeting, on 27 October, the Chief of the New York Liaison Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/55/SR.29).

II. Consideration of draft resolutions A/C.2/55/L.43 and Rev.1

5. At the 41st meeting, on 6 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution entitled "Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries" (A/C.2/55/L.43), which read:

"*The General Assembly*,

"*Recalling* its resolution 52/187 of 18 December 1997, in which it decided to convene the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries at a high level in 2001, as well as its resolutions 53/182 of 15 December 1998 and 54/235 of 23 December 1999,

"*Recalling further* the United Nations Millennium Declaration adopted by the Heads of State and Government on the occasion of the Millennium Summit,

"*Taking note* of the Declaration of the South Summit and the Havana Programme of Action adopted at the South Summit of the Group of 77, held in Havana from 10 to 14 April 2000, the Declaration adopted by the Tenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries, held in New York on 18 September 2000, and the Declaration adopted by the Ministerial Meeting of the Group of 77 and China, held in New York on 15 September 2000,

"*Noting* the progress made in the preparatory process for the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries at the country, regional and global levels,

"*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the status of preparations for the Conference, the report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Conference on its first session, held in New York from 24 to 28 July 2000, and the outcome of the forty-seventh session of

the Trade and Development Board on the preparatory process of the Conference,

"*Noting* the *Least Developed Countries 2000 Report*,

"1. *Recalls* that the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries will convene from 14 to 20 May 2001 and will be hosted by the European Union in Brussels;

"2. *Decides*, in the light of the recommendation of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Conference at its first session, to convene the second session of the Committee from 5 to 9 February 2001 in New York, at which the Committee will undertake the first formal reading of the draft programme of action and consider other relevant matters, while noting that the final session of the Committee will be held in New York from 2 to 6 April 2001;

"3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to defray the cost of participation of two government representatives from each least developed country in the second and final sessions of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee through the use of extrabudgetary resources, and further requests that the Bureau keep the matter under regular review on the basis of information provided by the Secretary-General of the Conference;

"4. *Notes* that sufficient extrabudgetary resources will need to be mobilized to defray the cost of participation of least developed countries at the third session of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee and in this regard invites additional contributions from multilateral and bilateral donors, and requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to seek funding from all possible sources for this purpose;

"5. *Welcomes* the contributions already made by multilateral and bilateral donors for participation of representatives from the least developed countries at the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee sessions and the Conference;

"6. *Emphasizes* the importance of the effective participation of all relevant stakeholders from least developed countries and their development partners, as well as of the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and other relevant multilateral organizations;

"7. *Recognizes* the importance of the contribution of civil society actors at the Conference and its preparatory process, and underlines in this regard the need for their active participation, including those from the least developed countries, and invites donors to make appropriate contributions for that purpose;

"8. *Invites* participation at the Conference and its preparatory process of (a) the relevant non-governmental organizations that enjoy consultative status in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996, (b) the non-governmental organizations that were accredited to the Second Conference in 1990 and (c) the non-governmental organizations that enjoy consultative status with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, and decides that the accreditation of other interested civil society actors, in particular non-governmental organizations and the business

sector, to the Conference and its preparatory process shall be considered by the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee on a non-objection basis before 31 January 2001 for final decision by the Committee at its second session, provided that requests for accreditation are submitted to the Secretariat of the Conference before 15 January 2001 and accompanied by the relevant information, and requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to appropriately inform the community of civil society actors about this accreditation process;

"9. *Also invites* the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee to make recommendations for the consideration of member States during the second session of the Committee as to the form of involvement of such civil society actors in the Conference and the final session of the Committee;

"10. *Emphasizes* the importance of country-level preparations as a critical input to the preparatory process for the Conference and its follow-up and implementation;

"11. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in his capacity as Convenor of the United Nations Development Group, to continue to ensure the full involvement of the United Nations resident coordinators and country teams in the least developed countries in the preparations for the Conference, in particular at the country level;

"12. *Welcomes* the statement of the Administrative Committee on Coordination on the Conference, and calls upon the Secretary-General, in consultations with the Secretary-General of the Conference, to convene inter-agency consultations, within the context of the machinery of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, to ensure the full mobilization and coordination of all relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, as well as other relevant multilateral intergovernmental organizations, during the preparatory process for the Conference and the implementation and follow-up of its outcome;

"13. *Emphasizes* the importance of an effective arrangement for follow-up, review and monitoring of the new programme of action, and requests the Secretary-General to recommend to the General Assembly concrete steps in this regard;

"14. *Stresses* that the intergovernmental follow-up, monitoring and review of the new programme of action should be undertaken in a more effective manner, with the participation of all relevant stakeholders, particularly least developed countries, as well as with the involvement of concerned organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and other relevant multilateral intergovernmental organizations, and emphasizes the need to explore innovative approaches in this regard;

"15. *Takes note* of the current level of regular budget resources available to the Office of the Special Coordinator for Least Developed, Landlocked and Small Island Developing Countries, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the same level of resources are made available throughout the remainder of the current biennium, including through redeployment and the use of other resources at the disposal of the Secretary-General;

"16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its fifty-sixth session on the outcome of the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries."

6. At the same meeting, the Committee had before it a statement on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.43, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly (A/C.2/55/L.50).

7. At the 42nd meeting, on 8 December, the Chairman of the Committee introduced a revised draft resolution entitled "Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries" (A/C.2/55/L.43/Rev.1), submitted on the basis of informal consultations.

8. At the same meeting, the Chairman informed the Committee that draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.43/Rev.1 had no programme budget implications.

9. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.43/Rev.1 (see para.11).

10. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of France, on behalf of the States members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union, and Bangladesh made statements (see A/C.2/55/SR.42).

III. Recommendation of the Second Committee

11. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 52/187 of 18 December 1997, in which it decided to convene the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries at a high level in 2001, as well as its resolutions 53/182 of 15 December 1998 and 54/235 of 23 December 1999,

Recalling further the United Nations Millennium Declaration adopted by the Heads of State and Government on the occasion of the Millennium Summit,[1]

Taking note of the Declaration and the Programme of Action adopted at the South Summit of the Group of 77, held at Havana from 10 to 14 April 2000,[2] the Declaration adopted by the Tenth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries, held in New York on 18 September 2000,[3] and the ministerial statement adopted at the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77, held in New York on 15 September 2000,[4]

[1] Resolution 55/2.
[2] A/55/74, annex.
[3] A/C.2/55/4, annex.
[4] A/55/459, annex.

Noting the progress made in the preparatory process for the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries at the country, regional and global levels,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the status of preparations for the Conference,[5] the report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Conference on its first session,[6] held in New York from 24 to 28 July 2000, and the outcome of the forty-seventh session of the Trade and Development Board on the preparatory process of the Conference,

Noting the *Least Developed Countries 2000 Report*,[7]

1. *Recalls* that the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries will convene from 14 to 20 May 2001 and will be hosted by the European Union at Brussels;

2. *Decides*, in the light of the recommendation of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Conference at its first session, to convene within existing resources, the second session of the Committee from 5 to 9 February 2001 in New York, at which the Committee will undertake the first formal reading of the draft programme of action and consider other relevant matters, while noting that the final session of the Committee will be held in New York from 2 to 6 April 2001;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to defray the cost of participation of two government representatives from each least developed country in the second and final sessions of the Preparatory Committee through the use of extrabudgetary resources, and further requests that the Bureau keep the matter under regular review on the basis of information provided by the Secretary-General of the Conference;

4. *Notes* that sufficient extrabudgetary resources will need to be mobilized to defray the cost of participation of the least developed countries at the third session of the Preparatory Committee, and in this regard, invites additional contributions from multilateral and bilateral donors, and requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to seek funding from all possible sources for this purpose;

5. *Welcomes* the contributions already made by multilateral and bilateral donors for the participation of representatives from the least developed countries in the sessions of the Preparatory Committee and the Conference;

6. *Emphasizes* the importance of the effective participation of all relevant stakeholders from the least developed countries and their development partners, as well as of the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and other relevant multilateral organizations;

7. *Recognizes* the importance of the contribution of civil society actors at the Conference and its preparatory process, stresses, in this regard, the need for their active participation, including those from the least developed countries, and invites donors to make appropriate contributions for that purpose;

8. *Invites* participation in the Conference and in its preparatory process of (a) the relevant non-governmental organizations that enjoy consultative status in

[5] A/55/222.

[6] See A/CONF.191/IPC/L.3 and Add.1-3.

[7] United Nations publication, Sales No. 00.II.D.21.

accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996, (b) the non-governmental organizations that were accredited to the Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in 1990 and (c) the non-governmental organizations that enjoy consultative status with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, decides that the accreditation of other interested civil society actors, in particular non-governmental organizations and the business sector, to the Conference and its preparatory process shall be considered by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee on a non-objection basis before 31 January 2001 for final decision by the Committee at its second session, provided that requests for accreditation are submitted to the secretariat of the Conference before 15 January 2001 and are accompanied by the relevant information, and requests the Secretary-General of the Conference to inform the community of civil society actors appropriately about this accreditation process;

9. *Also invites* the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee to make recommendations for the consideration of member States during the second session of the Committee as to the form of involvement of civil society actors in the Conference and the final session of the Committee;

10. *Emphasizes* the importance of country-level preparations as a critical input to the preparatory process for the Conference and its follow-up and implementation;

11. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in his capacity as convenor of the United Nations Development Group, to continue to ensure the full involvement of the United Nations resident coordinators and country teams in the least developed countries in the preparations for the Conference, in particular at the country level;

12. *Welcomes* the statement of the Administrative Committee on Coordination on the Conference, and calls upon the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the Conference, to convene inter-agency consultations, within the context of the machinery of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, to ensure the full mobilization and coordination of all relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, as well as other relevant multilateral intergovernmental organizations, during the preparatory process for the Conference and the implementation and follow-up of its outcome;

13. *Emphasizes* the importance of an effective arrangement for follow-up, review and monitoring of a new programme of action for the least developed countries, and requests the Secretary-General to recommend to the General Assembly concrete steps in this regard;

14. *Stresses* that the intergovernmental follow-up, monitoring and review of the new programme of action should be undertaken in a more effective manner, with the participation of all relevant stakeholders, particularly the least developed countries, as well as with the involvement of concerned organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and other relevant multilateral intergovernmental organizations, and emphasizes the need to explore innovative approaches in this regard;

15. *Takes note* of the current level of regular budget resources available to the Office of the Special Coordinator for Least Developed, Landlocked and Small Island Developing Countries, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that

sufficient resources are made available throughout the remainder of the current biennium, through judicious management of the resources at the disposal of the Secretary-General, and to report on the matter at its fifty-sixth session;

16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to it at its fifty-sixth session a report on the outcome of the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries.

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Report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Second Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Ahmed **Amaziane** (Morocco)

I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Report of the Economic and Social Council" and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 32nd, 41st and 42nd meetings, on 8 November and 6 and 8 December 2000. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/55/SR.32, 41 and 42). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 7th meetings, on 2, 3 and 5 October (see A/C.2/55/SR.3-7).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/55/3, Add.1 and Add.2);[1]

(b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund on the United Nations Population Award (A/55/419).

4. At the 32nd meeting, on 8 November 2000, the Assistant Secretary-General of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/55/SR.32).

[1] To be issued in *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 3* (A/55/3/Rev.1).

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II. Consideration of proposals

A. Draft decision proposed by the Chairman

5. By its resolution 2000/5 of 25 July 2000, the Economic and Social Council decided to request the General Assembly to endorse the draft resolution entitled "Decade of Greater Mekong Subregion Development Cooperation, 2000-2009" (see A/55/3, chap. I).

6. At its 41st meeting, on 6 December, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it endorse the resolution (see para. 9, draft decision I).

B. Documents relating to the report of the Economic and Social Council

7. At its 41st meeting, on 6 December, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of chapters I to V, VII (sects. A-C and E-H) and IX of the report of the Economic and Social Council and of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund on the United Nations Population Award (see A/55/419) (see para. 9, draft decision II).

C. Biennial programme of work of the Second Committee

8. At the 42nd meeting, on 8 December, the Chief of the Documentation Programming and Monitoring Unit introduced and orally revised the draft biennial programme of work of the Second Committee for 2001-2002 (A/C.2/55/L.40, annex). On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to adopt the draft programme of work (see para. 9, draft decision III).

III. Recommendations of the Second Committee

9. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
Report of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/5 of 25 July 2000, entitled "Decade of Greater Mekong Subregion Development Cooperation, 2000-2009", draws the attention of the international community to the intensification of economic and social development in the subregion, and encourages its support thereof.

Draft decision II
Documents relating to the report of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly takes note of the following documents:

(a) Relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council for 2000;[2]

(b) Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund on the United Nations Population Award.[3]

Draft decision III
Biennial programme of work of the Second Committee 2001-2002

The General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 5 of its resolution 39/217 of 18 December 1984, approves the biennial programme of work of the Second Committee 2001-2002, as contained in the annex to the present decision.

Annex

Draft biennial programme of work for the Second Committee for 2001-2002[4]

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Item 1
Report of the Economic and Social Council[5]

Documentation

Report of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund on the United Nations Population Award and Trust Fund (Economic and Social Council decision 1982/112)

Report of the Secretary-General on the five-year assessment of the progress made in the implementation of resolution 50/225 (General Assembly resolution 53/201)

[2] Ibid.

[3] See A/55/419.

[4] The Second Committee will, in accordance with established practice and in pursuance of General Assembly decision 38/429, hold a general debate each year at the beginning of its work.

[5] The list of questions and documentation under this item corresponds to requests for reports from the General Assembly. The list will be finalized after the Economic and Social Council completes its work in 2001.

Item 2
Macroeconomic policy questions

(a) International trade and development

Documentation

Report of the Trade and Development Board (General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX))

Report of the Secretary-General on unilateral economic measures as a means of political and economic coercion against developing countries (General Assembly resolution 54/200)

Report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries (General Assembly resolution 54/199)

Report of the Secretary-General on international trade and development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.61)

Report of the Secretary-General on measures taken to initiate the preparatory process for the final review and appraisal of the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.61)

(b) International financial system and development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the international financial system and development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.41)

Report of the Secretary-General on analysis undertaken by the United Nations Development Programme of international financial stability as a global public good (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.41)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting information provided by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.41)

(c) Science and technology for development

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council on the work of the Commission on Science and Technology on its fifth session (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.47)

Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the coordination of the mechanisms of the Commission for Science and Technology for Development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.47)[6]

[6] Report submitted to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council.

(d) External debt crisis and development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the external debt crisis and development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.64)

Item 3
Sectoral policy questions

(a) Business and development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on business and development (General Assembly resolutions 48/180 and 54/204)

Report of the Secretary-General on preventing and combating corrupt practices and illegal transfer of funds and repatriation of such funds to their countries of origin (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.52)

(b) Industrial development cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (General Assembly resolution 54/203)

Item 4
Sustainable development and international economic cooperation

(a) Women in development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on women in development (General Assembly resolutions 42/178 and 54/210)

(b) Human resources development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on developing human resources for development (General Assembly resolution 54/211)

(c) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.37

(d) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of the Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Documentation

No advance documentation requested (see draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39)

Item 5
Environment and sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on protection against products harmful to health and the environment (General Assembly resolution 39/229)[6]

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (General Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII))[6]

Report of the Secretary-General on preparations for the international year of freshwater, 2003 (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.33)

Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon (draft resolution A/C.2/2000/L.27)[6]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme of Action for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21

Documentation

Relevant section of the report of the Economic and Social Council on the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its ninth session (General Assembly resolution 47/191)

Relevant section of the report of the Economic and Social Council on the work of the United Nations Forum on Forests (Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35)

Report of the Secretary-General on the state of preparation for the 2002 summit to review the progress achieved in the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.58)

(b) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the international strategy for disaster reduction (General Assembly resolution 54/219)[6]

(c) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.34

(d) Convention on Biological Diversity

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.44)

(e) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.59

(f) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

Documentation

Report of the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change on the work of the Conference of the Parties (A/C.2/55/L.48)

(g) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on concrete action being taken for the promotion of new and renewable sources of energy (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.55)

Item 6
Operational activities for development

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (General Assembly resolution 39/125)

(a) Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial policy review of operational activities undertaken by the United Nations system and addenda (General Assembly resolutions 35/81 and 53/192 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 2000/19 and 2000/20)[6]

Report of the Secretary-General on the impact of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework in the field of operational activities (General Assembly resolution 53/192 and Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/20)[6]

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Documentation

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (General Assembly resolution 33/134)[6]

Report of the Secretary-General on the state of South-South cooperation and on economic and technical cooperation among developing countries (General Assembly resolutions 50/119, 52/205 and 54/226)

Report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community (General Assembly resolution 54/227)

Item 7
International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on international migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues (General Assembly resolution 54/212)

Item 8
Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/31 and draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.7/Rev.1)[6]

Item 9
Implementation of the Habitat Agenda and outcome of the special session of the General Assembly on this topic

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.54)

Report of the Commission on Human Settlements (General Assembly resolution 32/162)[6]

Item 10
Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.51)

Item 11
Training and research

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.56)

Item 12
Globalization and interdependence

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on globalization and interdependence (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.63)

Item 13
Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the outcome of the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.43/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on resources for the Office of the Special Coordinator for Least Developed, Landlocked and Small Island Developing Countries (A/C.2/55/L.43/Rev.1)

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Item 1
Report of the Economic and Social Council[8]

Documentation

Report of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund on the United Nations Population Award and Trust Fund (Economic and Social Council decision 1982/112)

Item 2
Macroeconomic policy questions

(a) International trade and development

Documentation

Report of the Trade and Development Board (General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX))

(b) Commodities

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on world commodity trends and prospects (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.62)

Item 3
Sectoral policy questions

(a) Industrial development cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on industrial development cooperation (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.42)

Item 4
Sustainable development and international economic cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on communication for

[7] The programme of work and documentation list for 2002 will be updated in 2001, taking into account the relevant decisions of the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session.

[8] The list of questions and documentation under this item is indicative only of requests for reports from the General Assembly. The list will be finalized after the Economic and Social Council completes its work in 2002.

development programmes in the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 50/130)

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the International Year of Mountains, 2002 (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.5)

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General: overview of the challenges and constraints as well as progress made towards achieving the major development goals and objectives adopted by the United Nations during the 1990s (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.39)

(b) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (General Assembly resolution 48/181 and draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.4/Rev.1)

(c) Cultural development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on culture and development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.60)

Item 5
Environment and sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on preparations for the international year of freshwater, 2003 (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.33)

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme of Action for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21

Documentation

Relevant section of the report of the Economic and Social Council on the work of the Commission for Sustainable Development on its tenth session (General Assembly resolution 47/191)

(b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on promoting an integrated management approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.57)

Item 6
Operational activities for development

Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Documentation

Relevant chapter of the report of the Economic and Social Council

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (General Assembly resolution 39/125)

Item 7
Training and research

Documentation

Report of the Council of the United Nations University (General Assembly resolution 3081 (XXVIII) and Assembly decision 52/450)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations University (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.24/Rev.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on the work, activities and accomplishments of the United Nations System Staff College (draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.25)

Item 8
Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.16